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THIRD REQUEST FOR STATUS CHECK OF APPLICATION

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Dear Sir:

The above-referenced application was filed on May 30, 2001. Pursuant to communication mailed January 2, 2003, from the Office, this application was projected to be examined 3 months from January 2, 2003. Considerable time has lapsed since then and we have not yet received any correspondence from the Office.

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